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Sent: 9/19/2019 6:13:05 PM
To: Cheung, Wendy [Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov]; Tinsley, Chuck [Tinsley.Chuck@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

Chuck: although this app was withdraw, can you please capture that in this spreadsheet please so we have this history? Thanks, Douglas

From: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 11:52 AM
To: Tinsley, Chuck <Tinsley.Chuck@epa.gov>; Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

If this should be "tracked", please add to the Kaizen spreadsheet. Thanks! Wendy

From: Tinsley, Chuck <Tinsley.Chuck@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 10:13 AM
To: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>; Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

Just a quick follow-up to make sure that you all have what you need from the Simple Oil permit withdrawal. Let me know if there is something I can provide that will fill in any unfilled blanks.
Chuck

From: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 10:47 AM
To: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>
Cc: Tinsley, Chuck <Tinsley.Chuck@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

I'm guessing your right. Copying in Chuck FYI.

We can discuss further if this withdrawn app needs to be included retroactively for tracking purposes. Either way, I wanted to make sure it was accounted for in what we sent to management.

From: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 10:21 AM
To: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

So there may be at least one more permit that should be accounted for? The wells found in the spreadsheet I sent you are wells that PWs entered in the Kaizen spreadsheet.

The non-Class II spreadsheet was made available later than the Class II, so it may be the Simple Oil was already addressed before the team was asked to log in their permits in the Kaizen.

From: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 9:21 AM

To: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

Very helpful...thanks! It appears that the legacy CO Class III application Chuck was able to get withdrawn is missing (i.e., Simple Oil's OSR-1 wells)?

Here is some narrative I sent Sarah attempting to capture the relative progress we have made taking final actions on our UIC permit applications and reducing our backlog:

Of the 21 permit applications the UIC program had received through March, 2019 for new injection wells, final action has been taken on 14 (67%) either through permit issuance (10) or accepting withdrawal of the application (4) since comprehensive ELMS tracking began in May, 2018. Since the beginning of FY 19, this has resulted in a 56% reduction in the number of applications backlogged (i.e., in house more than 180 days) from 9 to 4 (through 9/15/19).

From: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 7:49 AM

To: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

There were 4 permits out of 23 permits that were either issued or withdrawn = 17%

The specifics (# permits received 3/31/19, # permits issued 180 days, withdrawn/issued) are all there if you need to manipulate the math.

From: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 3:02 PM

To: Cheung, Wendy <Cheung.Wendy@epa.gov>

Subject: Question on Metric for Timely UIC Permit Issuance

Hi Wendy: how feasible is it to pull numbers from our Kaizen tracking to answer the following question for results through FY 19 (prompted by Sarah):

Of the new UIC permit applications received through 3/31/19, the UIC Section was able to timely issue final permits for xx% (xx final permits out of xx applications received) of these within 180 days of receipt of the permit application.

This would capture all applications for new/converted wells including the four for Dewey Burdock (2), and FBIR (2) which are still backlogged.

Thanks,

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